

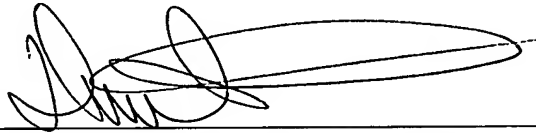
### REMARKS

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

As a courtesy to the Examiner, Applicants herein submit a substitute Specification including the revisions made by this Amendment. The substitute Specification is attached to this Amendment.

Changes have been made to place the application in a better form for allowance. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in more detail, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel J. Whitman', is written over a horizontal line.

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